

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 and 5-34 are pending.

Claims 1, 9, 18, 20, 25, and 34 have been amended.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. Further, Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to claims 1, 9, 18, 20, 25, and 34 introduce no new matter. These claims have been amended to provide clarification and to address grammatical informalities. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that these claims continue to be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application and the claims therein are believed to be in condition for allowance without any further examination and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

If any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) are required in order for this submission to be considered timely, Applicants hereby petition for such extensions. Applicants also hereby authorize that any fees due for such extensions or any other fee associated with this submission, as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17, be charged to Deposit Account 502306.

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